



## MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

**Description of proposal:** Hideaway Thinning Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-075740 and Forest Practices Application No. 2905190. This is an uneven-aged harvest of 172 acres with approximately 5,000 feet of temporary roads.

**Proponent:** Department of Natural Resources

**Location of proposal:** Sections 1, 2, 10, and 11, Township 6 North, Range 3 East, W.M., approximately 22 miles by road, northeast of Woodland, off Hwy 505, the N-6600 and N-6690 roads in Cowlitz County, Washington.

**Lead agency:** Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[ ] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from January 16, 2004. Comments must be submitted by January 30, 2004.

**Responsible official:** Victoria Christiansen

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**Date** 1/11/04

**Signature** Victoria Christiansen

There is no agency SEPA appeal.

See the attached mitigated measures list

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## MITIGATED MEASURES LIST

Please list all mitigated measures, which have been accomplished for your sale.

Some mitigated measures may include: Streams, Wetlands, Unstable Soils, Endangered Species, Leave trees, Legacy Trees, Rain on Snow, Road Abandonment, Wind Buffers Habitat Enhancement, Esthetics, Safety and Neighbors.

Sale Name: Hideaway Thinning

The Mitigated measures for this sale are:

**Streams:**

There are 3 Type 3 stream with a 180-foot wide no cut buffer, 4 Type 4 streams with a 100- foot wide no cut buffer and 6 type 5 streams are also protected by sale boundary tags or leave tree area tags and there will felled away from all Type 5 stream.

**Slope stability:**

All potentially unstable soils have been removed from the sale area. In addition, this proposal, being a thinning sale, is expected to have very little impact on slope integrity. This is because the majority of the trees will remain after thinning, thereby retaining root strength, and managing the effect of precipitation by evapotranspiration and rainfall interception.

**Roads:**

A timing restriction has been placed on all construction to be done during the dry times of the year. New roads have been located to avoid any identified potentially unstable areas.

**Harvest methods:**

Harvesting activities are estimated to be 85% ground based and 15% cable harvesting.